

Miami-Dade County Youth Commission Minutes. October 18, 2012

The meeting of the Miami-Dade County Youth Commission was called to order by Chairman Jude Bruno at 4:24pm on October 18, 2012.

Roll was called by Parliamentarian, Anyssa Chebbi. Quorum was established.

Present:

Jude Bruno
Anyssa Chebbi
Naomie Delva
Christopher Fisk Kolychkin
Emily Freeman
Stephanie Gastelu
Natalia Gonzalez
Virginia Lafontant
Nicklaus Matos
Daniela Nunez
Morgan Owens
Lina Rojas
Ashley Sanchez
Shakira Santos
Daniel Tirado
Jacob Stern
Haley Ziberberg

Excused Absence:

Walford Campbell
Cynthia Larroque
Ambar Mesa
Stephanie Pardinaz Liuzzi
Estrella Quiroz

Unexcused Absence:

Cesar Castillo
Clark Isis
Leon Fussell
Liljuan Gonzalez
Michael Ivory

Parliamentarian Anyssa Chebbi led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America as well as the moment of silence. There were no special rules for the day.

Emily Freeman moved to set the agenda. Anyssa Chebbi 2nded. Motion Passed.

Secretary Emily Freeman asked for any corrections to the minutes. Anyssa Chebbi moved to accept the minutes as corrected. Motion passed.

Chairman Jude Bruno thanked those who attended the Town Hall Meeting on October 16th regarding a resolution endorsed at September meeting.

Rochelle Boreland from Commissioner Jordan's Office gave out her email address to for any questions, it is as follows: ryb@miamidade.gov

Ms. Garcia announced that District 5 still has a vacancy, as does District 11. The new Commissioners were introduced.

Ms. Garcia discussed Culture Shock Ads. Culture Shock is looking for Youth Commissioners to help promote Culture Shock in an ad. Please Contact Ms. Garcia for more information.

Cindy Akerman and George Steele gave the budget presentation. The Youth Commission received \$60,000 in funding as allocated in our budget outline. All funding must stay in the peramiters of General Funds. It is recommended that we plan a timeline about 6 months in advanced of when we would like to use the funds.

On October 22, a watch party will be held thanks to the Children's Trust to watch the 3rd Presidential Debate.

Chairman Jude Bruno said all Youth Commissioners are to email him to tell him which committee they would like to serve on. The committees will be: Advocacy and Legislative, Public Relations, Marketing, and Communications, Public Service and Education, and finally, Special Events and Logistics.

The Youth Commission will be having a Budget Hearing on October 29th, 2012, all Commissioner's are encouraged to create there own timeline to be discussed at this meeting. Also, the possibility of having a Finance Committee/Treasurer will be discussed. We are encouraged as a Commission to act as though we don't have a budget in case we get cut next year, that way we won't feel constrained without funding, by trying to get things for free instead of using our funding (sponsorships, endorsements, connections, etc). We are also encouraged to have just a few big events instead of a lot of small ones.

Haley Zilberberg gave a peer counseling presentation. For the Youth Commission to create a Help Chat, an email help center where teens with issues such as depression, can ask their peers for help on whatever issues they're facing. This would require a website, email, and other organization's help. This peer counseling would be a Youth Adult partnership. Any suggestions are to be emailed to Haley Zilberberg.

The meeting of the Miami-Dade County Youth Commission was adjourned by Chairman Jude Bruno at 5:56pm on October 18, 2012.